



עליות ה, פָּרָשָׁה by

יַעֲקֹב settled in כְּנָעַן, at the age of 17, was a shepherd with his brothers. He would bring bad reports about them to their father. יַעֲקֹב loved יְוָשָׁעַן more than his other sons, because he was “the son of his old age,” and he gave יְוָשָׁעַן a colourful gown made of fine wool. יְוָשָׁעַן’s brothers hated him because of this. יַעֲקֹב had a dream in which his brothers’ sheaves of corn bowed down to his sheaf. His brothers hated him more when he told them. In his next dream the sun, moon and eleven stars were bowing down to him. His brothers now became jealous, “זָאָבֵיו שָׁמַר אֶת-הַדָּבָר” - but his father kept the matter in mind.

יַעֲקֹב sent to find out how his brothers were getting on, shepherding in שָׂעָם. A man told יַעֲקֹב that his brothers had gone to דָּצָן. As יַעֲקֹב approached, his brothers plotted to kill him and tell their father that a wild beast had eaten him, “זָנָרָא מִה-יְהִי חַלְמָתְךָ,” “and then we will see what will come of his dreams!” told them not to kill יַעֲקֹב, but just to throw him into a pit. He intended to rescue יַעֲקֹב and return him to their father.

שְׁלֵישִׁי When יַעֲקֹב arrived his brothers took his coat off him and threw him into the pit. They then sat down to eat. As a caravan of יִשְׁעָמָדים passed by, convinced his brothers that they should sell יַעֲקֹב rather than kill him. They sold him for twenty pieces of silver and the יִשְׁעָמָדים brought him down to רָאָבָן. פָּרָעָה returned to the pit and found יַעֲקֹב had gone. He tore his garments in grief. The brothers slaughtered a goat and dipped יַעֲקֹב’s coat into its blood. They returned and showed the coat to their father, who tore his clothes and mourned for many days. Meanwhile, יַעֲקֹב had been sold to פּוֹטִיפָר, a courtier of פָּרָעָה.

רְבִיעִי married עַר . שְׁלֵה bore three sons, called אֹוָן, עַר, שְׁוֹעַן . شְׁוֹעַן married שְׁמַעַר.

חִמְשִׁי ה' was with יַעֲקֹב, and he became successful. His Egyptian master noticed that ה' was with him, and he appointed יַעֲקֹב over his household. Once ה' had appointed יַעֲקֹב over his house, ה' blessed him for יַעֲקֹב’s sake, both “in the house and in the field.” פּוֹטִיפָר was happy for יַעֲקֹב to be in charge of his whole household. יַעֲקֹב was of very handsome appearance.

שְׁשִׁי יַעֲקֹב’s master’s wife wanted to become very friendly with יַעֲקֹב, but יַעֲקֹב always refused to listen to her. One day, when he came to do his work in the house, and no servants were present, פּוֹטִיפָר’s wife caught hold of his garment. יַעֲקֹב ran away, leaving his garment in the woman’s hands. פּוֹטִיפָר’s wife called to the men of the house, telling them that יַעֲקֹב had attacked her but ran away when she screamed. She told her husband the same story upon his return home. ה' was put יַעֲקֹב in prison. ה' was with יַעֲקֹב and the prison warden liked him. He was put in charge of all the inmates and everything that happened in the prison. “...and whatever he did, ה' made him successful.”

שְׁבִיעִי The שְׁרֵה (chief butler) and the שְׁרֵה אֲוֹפִים (chief baker) sinned against their master, פָּרָעָה, and he threw them into the prison where יַעֲקֹב was. Each of them had a dream. יַעֲקֹב interpreted their dreams to mean that in three days the שְׁרֵה אֲוֹפִים would be returned to his post, but the שְׁרֵה אֲוֹפִים would be hung on a tree. יַעֲקֹב asked the שְׁרֵה אֲוֹפִים to mention him to פָּרָעָה, so that he could get out of prison. On the third day it was פָּרָעָה’s birthday. He made a feast for his servants. פָּרָעָה returned the שְׁרֵה אֲוֹפִים to office (to his job) but the שְׁרֵה אֲוֹפִים was hung, just as יַעֲקֹב had interpreted. However, the שְׁרֵה did not remember יַעֲקֹב to פָּרָעָה.

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שְׁמַעַן, his son says: All my days I have been raised among the חֲבָמִים and I found nothing better for oneself than silence. Not study, but practice is the main thing, and one who talks too much brings on sin.”

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י' שְׁמַעַן בֶּן אָמֵר, כֹּל יָמֵי גָּדְלָתִי בֵּין הַחֲבָמִים, וְלֹא מִצְאָתִי לְגֹפֶת טוֹב אֶלָּא שְׁתִּיקָה, וְלֹא הַמְּדֻרְשׁ הָוָא הַעֲקָר, אֶלָּא הַמְּעַשָּׂת, וְכֹל הַמְּרַבָּה דָּבָרִים, מִבְיאָ חַטָּאת:

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